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DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS.

RUSSIAN POLICY TO BE DISCUSSED LATER.

POSITION REGARDING WAR DEBTS.

("Telegraph" Special Service.)

London, Dec. 10. When the general debate on the Address was continued in the House of Commons this afternoon, the discussion ranged over various subjects.

The relations with Russia were referred to by Mr. J. R. Clynes, who raised the question of the Zinovieff letter, which he described as one of real significance in connection with the decision of hundreds of thousands of electors at the General Election.

This question was addressed to the Prime Minister, who elected to reply that a sub-committee of the Cabinet, after examining all the evidence before them, came to the unanimous conclusion that there was no doubt that the Zinovieff letter was a genuine document. The matter will be the subject of further Parliamentary discussion on the return to London of the Foreign Secretary, who will reply for the Government when a Labour amendment to the Address, dealing with Russia and Egypt, is moved.

Referring to the League of Nations, and disarmament, the Premier said they must endeavour to secure, in whatever way was done, American sympathy for any project to make the League more effective or the Covenant more binding. They had also to examine the relations with signatory States and the question of the British Dominions, who were very sensitive about any action taken by the Home Government on foreign affairs in which they were not consulted.

He thought it was not impossible that the Dominions might wish to be heard on the matter of the protocol before a final conclusion was reached. A good deal of time, therefore, must elapse before the Government policy could be stated.

INTER-ALLIED DEBTS.

London, Dec. 10. In the House of Commons, when the debate on the Address was resumed Mr. Winston Churchill, replying to Sir John Simon on the subject of inter-allied debts, referred to the reported Franco-American financial negotiations, and said that so far as the Government were aware the matter had not advanced farther than tentative enquiries and conversations; therefore the necessity for a formal British declaration on the matter did not arise at present.

The Government did not wish to hinder any arrangement for mutual benefit between two friendly nations allied or associated in the war, but considered it essential that any payments made by our debtors in Europe to their creditors in the United States should be accompanied simultaneously by proportionate payments to Britain (Ministerial and Liberal cheers).

WAR CLAIMS.

BRITISH NOTE TO AMERICA.

Washington Dec. 10. The State Department is at present studying a communication from Britain explaining the latter's attitude on the collection by the United States of war claims against Germany under the Dawes plan.

It is understood Britain questions America's right to obtain cash payments, through the Dawes Plan, to meet awards by the Mixed Claims Commission.

SEAPLANE SMASH.

SEVERAL CASUALTIES.

New York, Dec. 10. Four men are missing and three have been severely burned, through a naval seaplane falling into the sea at San Diego Bay, California.

When the wrecked seaplane was brought ashore three bodies were discovered in the cockpit. Two others of the occupants are believed to have been drowned.

MORE ROBBERIES.

EUROPEAN MESS ENTERED.

During the absence of Mr. T.R. Rannett from his mess at No. 13 Chatham Road, Kowloon, sometime between the 30th November and the 10th inst., his home was entered by a thief, and jewellery and other property of the value of \$562 stolen. Amongst the articles stolen were a revolver and curio, which included an opium pipe.

An armed robbery occurred at No. 70 Lai-chikok Road at 9.45 this morning. The brief report available states that five men were concerned, who were armed with daggers and revolvers.

MAD DOG.

KILLED BY VILLAGERS.

A mad dog which broke loose yesterday in the village of An Tam-moi, in the Lokmachau district, New Territories, bit a farmer before it was captured and killed by the villagers. The man was bitten in the left hand and he was immediately brought over to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment. The carcass of the dog was removed to the Bacteriological Institute for examination.

Another Chinese was admitted into hospital yesterday subsequent to being bitten by a dog in Queen's Road West. The animal has been taken to Kennedy Town for observation.

A NEW FRENCH AMBASSADOR.

COMTE ST. AULAIRE SAYS FAREWELL.

London, Dec. 10. M. le Comte de Beaufort de St. Aulaire, the French Ambassador to Great Britain, who was appointed in November 1920, and is now retiring, paid farewell visits to No. 10 Downing Street and the Foreign Office this morning. His Excellency is shortly leaving for Paris.

His successor, M. de Fleuriau, is expected to reach London next week-end.

SMUGGLED MEN.

FROM HONGKONG TO NEW YORK.

A New York paper to hand by the last mail reports: Seven Chinese who were smuggled into this country from Hongkong in packing cases aboard a steamship, suffered so seriously from starvation and hardships during the thirty-day voyage that one of them died soon after being arrested and the six others were near death.

Three Chinese of this city charged with the smuggling also were arrested.

All of the prisoners are members of the Hip Sing Tong, according to the police, who declared that the seven had been smuggled as recruits in the tong war which so far has resulted in several fatalities.

The police said they learned that the prisoners were members of a band of between sixty and seventy Chinese smuggled aboard the steamship.

The seven were hoisted aboard the ship at Hongkong. Two or three men were placed in each case and each was given \$200, with assurance that work would be found for him when he arrived in this country.

Although promised two meals of rice each day, the men said they were given food only infrequently during the voyage. Because of the rough voyage, the almost suffocating closeness of the packing cases and the lack of food all were unconscious during the latter part of the trip.

KOWLOON UNION CHURCH.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual social and business meeting of the Union Church, Kowloon, was held in the church last evening, when the Rev. J. Horace Johnston presided and there were also present the Rev. Kirk Macdonald and Mr. T. L. McPherson, the Chairman of the committee of the Union Church, Hongkong, as well as a large gathering of members.

THE FINANCES. The Union Church, Kowloon, was founded at a meeting held at the Central British School on December 12th last year and the committee appointed at that meeting, yesterday presented the annual report and statement of accounts for the year ending November 30th. The financial report showed the church to be on a firm basis and was remarkably encouraging. The total revenue amounted to \$3,118.20, a sum which naturally far exceeded the expenditure. It was decided to vote \$1,600 to the parent church in Hongkong and to carry forward the balance of \$582.26.

The report and balance sheet were unanimously adopted and are now to be submitted to the committee of the parent church for approval.

THE CONGREGATION.

The meeting marked the first step towards a definite Constitution. Following the lead of the Union Church, Hongkong, where the congregation consists of "seatholders"—being subscribers—the meeting decided to adopt a similar subscription basis, with the exception that the subscriptions are not to be regarded as seat-rents. The Chairman explained that the Union Church is inter-denominational, a union of Christians of all denominations and of various nationalities formed for the purpose of maintaining religious ordinances on broad and simple lines, without reference to minor differences on points of doctrine and Church order. The meeting unanimously agreed that the congregation of Union Church, Kowloon, shall consist of all those who annually subscribe towards the maintenance of religious ordinances in the church. It was further decided that the amount of subscription should be determined from year to year, according to circumstances.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald congratulated the meeting on the surprisingly splendid progress made in so short a time and expressed his personal gratification at the success of Union Church Kowloon, for which he predicted a future of great usefulness in the peninsula.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

The following were elected on the Committee for the ensuing year:—Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Garraway, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Warren; Mr. T. Armet, Mr. W. Brown, Mr. A. Crawford, Capt. Davies, Mr. R. Duncan, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. J. M. Smythe, and Mr. Warren.

Ten and refreshments were served by the ladies and later musical items were rendered by Mrs. Thesing, Capt. and Mrs. Davies and Mr. Blakely.

It was a most successful gathering, testifying to the happy relations existing between the many members.

DRUG CONFAB.

SLIGHTLY MORE HOPEFUL.

Geneva, Dec. 10. With the progress made by the two sub-committees of the second opium conference, the prospects of its termination by December 20 are more hopeful.

An agreement was reached today on the important question of imports and exports, land and sea transit, and transshipment. On the contrary, no agreement has hitherto been reached respecting the establishment of a central board of control for the manufacture of drugs.

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LOCAL WEDDING.

POPULAR SCOUTMASTER WEDS.

A most interesting wedding took place at the Wesleyan Church this afternoon, when Miss Hilda A. Smith, of the nursing staff of the Government Civil Hospital (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smith, of Paversham, Kent) was married to Mr. Allan Kirk, of the Public Works Department (only son of Mr. A. R. Kirk, of Withington, Manchester). The bridegroom is prominently associated with the local Boy Scout movement, being Scoutmaster of the 3rd Hongkong Troop, and as the bridal couple emerged from the church at the conclusion of the marriage ceremony they passed under an archway formed of Scout staves.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. D. McMurray, was attired in a gown of white Chantilly lace over satin charmeuse, trimmed with silver ribbon and orange blossom. She wore a white georgette hat with asprey trimming, and carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemum and maidenhair fern. She had as her bridesmaid Miss E. M. Smith, her sister, who wore a champagne-coloured silk dress, embroidered with silk flowers, with ribbon hat to match, and carried a bouquet similar to that of the bride. Mr. S. C. Feltham was "best man."

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. Dewstoe, assisted by the Rev. C. Clouston Parry, H.O.F., whilst Mr. G. H. Piercy was at the organ.

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QUESTION OF £100 DRAFT.

An unusual case came before
Mr. Justice Gompertz at the
Summary Court yesterday after-
noon, in which the financial trans-
actions between a Chinese em-
ployee in England and his em-
ployer staying in Hongkong were
investigated. The plaintiff in the
action was F. Lee Yow who gave
his address as 20, the Praya, and
the defendant W. Lee Yow Woon
Kew, of 28 D'Agular Street. The
claim was for £100, it being for
an account and for repayment of
such sum as might be due there-
under. Mr. N. I. Brewer appeared
for the plaintiff and Mr. H. S.
Fitzroy for the defendant.In opening his case Mr. Brewer
said the circumstances were that
in 1920 Lee Yow was in Hongkong
on holiday from England and
during the time he was here the
plaintiff forwarded to him drafts
of money which came from pro-
perty invested in England. He
sent a draft in August 1920 for
£100 but Lee Yow left the Colony
to return to England and thus
never received the draft. It
arriving after his departure.
When he got back to England he
struck a balance with the plaintiff
and then said he had not received
the £100 and told plaintiff to ask
for its return so that he could cash
it in Liverpool at the bank at
which he bought it. Consequently
Lee Yow wrote to defendant in
Hongkong and asked for the draft.
That draft had not been returned
and in 1922, after the death of
Lee Yow, he again took the matter
up and wrote to the Chartered
Bank, Hongkong, to see if the draft
had been cashed. A reply was
received saying it had been cashed
in February of 1921. The plain-
tiff had taken the opportunity a
holiday in Hongkong offered him
to bring the action for recovery of
the £100.

Plaintiff's Evidence.

Plaintiff gave evidence and said
he was manager of F. Lee Yow
in Liverpool. In 1920 Lee Yow
was working in Birkenhead and in
the same year returned to China.
While in Hongkong witness re-
mitted him £500 of which he re-
ceived £400. This other £100 he
did not receive was a draft bought
on August 22nd, 1920, on the Bank
of Liverpool and Martins Ltd.
Since he had been in Hongkong he
had learned that this was cashed
at the Chartered Bank, it being
signed William Lee Yow in Eng-
lish and Woon Kew in Chinese.

Plaintiff's Admissions.

In cross-examination witness
said he was running a Seaman's
Home in Liverpool and was em-
ployed by Lee Yow and was an-
swerable to him for all profits made
and he had no shares in the busi-
ness. Lee Yow was a clansman
of his and no relation. The
money he remitted to Lee Yow was
profit made in the business. He
further admitted that he did not
write to the Chartered Bank in
Hongkong until April 1922, three
months after Lee Yow died. But
he wrote to defendant years be-
fore, he added. On a letter being
produced to him he said that was
the letter he wrote to defendant.
Counsel: That is dated April
1922. Is that years before?
In further cross-examination
witness said he left Lee Yow in
1921 and went to Amsterdam
where he said he had good pros-
pects. Lee Yow gave him £100
when he left.Counsel: Then this money
wasn't yours at all.Mr. Brewer said he desired to
re-examine to bring out whose the
money really was.Mr. Fitzroy: I don't think there
is any doubt about whose it was.
His Honour asked Mr. Brewer if
the money was not Lee Yow's direct-
ly the draft was dropped into the
letter box. The plaintiff's case was
that something addressed to Lee
Yow was got hold of by someone
else and used to their own purpose.
Had the plaintiff any right of
action?Mr. Brewer remarked that it was
something purchased by the
plaintiff.

Right of Action.

His Honour: Yes, with Lee
Yow's money. I don't see that he
has any right of action. He added
that he was putting his difficulties
to counsel and ordered the case to
proceed.Lee Yow's daughter was then
called. She said she had seen a
letter from her father to the de-
fendant asking for the return of the
draft.His Honour: Have you given notice
for the letter to be produced?

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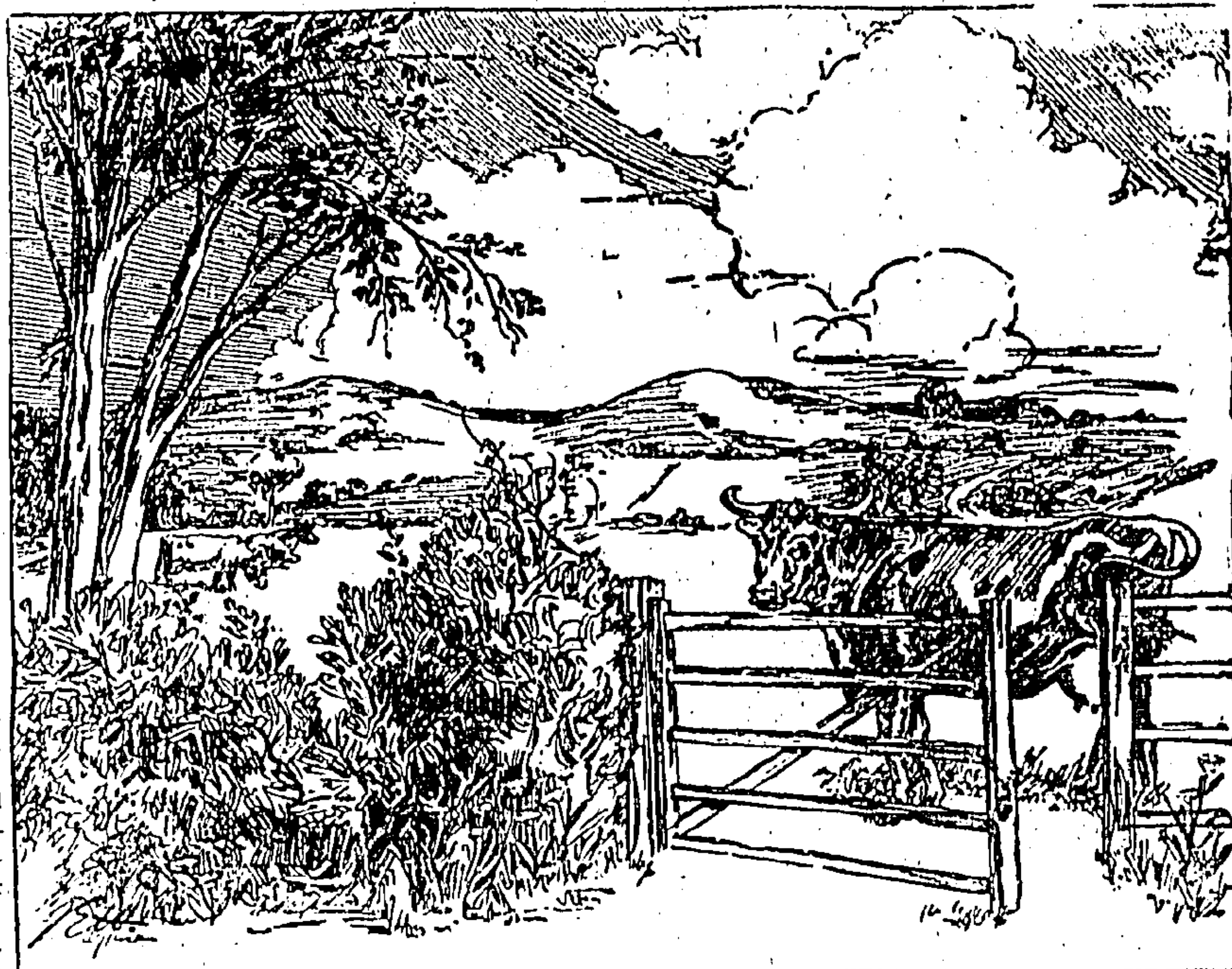
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News has been received by cable
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da, on Sunday, December 7th.Captain Campbell, who was a well
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health compelled him to resign in
February of this year, when he left
Hongkong for England via Canada,
adopting this route with a view to
visiting relatives in the Dominion.
It was found undesirable to continue
the journey and the deceased passed
away among his own folk.Since the death of Mrs. Campbell
in Shanghai in the early part of
1923, deceased's state of health
had never improved and it is thought
that this loss contributed not a
little to his own demise.During the war Captain Campbell
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of Captain.He leaves behind an only son, Mr.
R. J. Campbell, who is at present
serving in the locally operated Tele-
machus as second officer, to whom
the sympathy of the deceased cap-
tain's many friends both here and in
the northern port will be ex-
tended.Mr. Brewer: Yes, my Lord and we
have received intimation that the
other side cannot do so.Mr. Fitzroy: A little different to
that my Lord. We said we had
not received one. It may be the
same to my friend but it is rather
different so far as I am concerned.Cross-examined by Mr. Fitzroy
witness said the latter was written
by her father. She did not speak
to defendant about it as he merely
showed her the letter and said it
was no concern of hers.This closed the case for the
plaintiff and Mr. Fitzroy said he had
absolutely no case to answer, sub-
mitting that the plaintiff had no
right of action.His Honour said he thought not
but was not prepared to give a
decision then and asked if Mr.
Fitzroy would continue with his case
and possibly save the time of the
court.

Deceased's English Wife.

Mr. Fitzroy then called the widow
of Lee Yow, Mrs. Mary Lee Yow, an
Englishwoman. She said she knew
the plaintiff. Her husband had
been a shipping agent and an in-
terpreter for the Government and
also had a boarding house business
in Liverpool. He had no partners.Plaintiff was manager of the board-
ing house during the time Lee Yow
was in China on holiday. His
salary was 24 a week and he had no
interest in the business whatsoever.
While in Hongkong the plaintiff sent
Lee Yow money. Lee Yow sent
for a draft of £100 for expenses to
carry him back to England but it
did not arrive until after he had
left. The defendant wrote to Lee
Yow later saying he had received the
draft and deceased replied asking
him to invest the money against his
return to Hongkong on holiday.
Later still a letter was received by
deceased from his mother asking
for money and he wrote to de-
fendant telling him to pay the £100 to
her in small portions as she needed
it. This was done.

Deceased's Instructions.

Defendant gave evidence cor-
roborating that of the previous
witness and said he was the
manager of the Yoo Woo Tong to
which address all the drafts had
been sent. While on the steamer
which took him back to England
deceased told him of the £100 that
was coming and told him what he
was to do with it. Witness paid
all the money to deceased's mother.Other corroborative evidence was
called and Mr. Fitzroy closed his
case. He was about to address the
court when His Honour interposed
and called on Mr. Brewer.Mr. Brewer then remarked that
if the judge was against him he
would not waste the time of the
court.His Honour: I am against you
subject to anything you may say.Mr. Brewer: Then I will not
waste the time of the Court.His Honour: The difficulty is
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that your client has said.Judgment was entered for the
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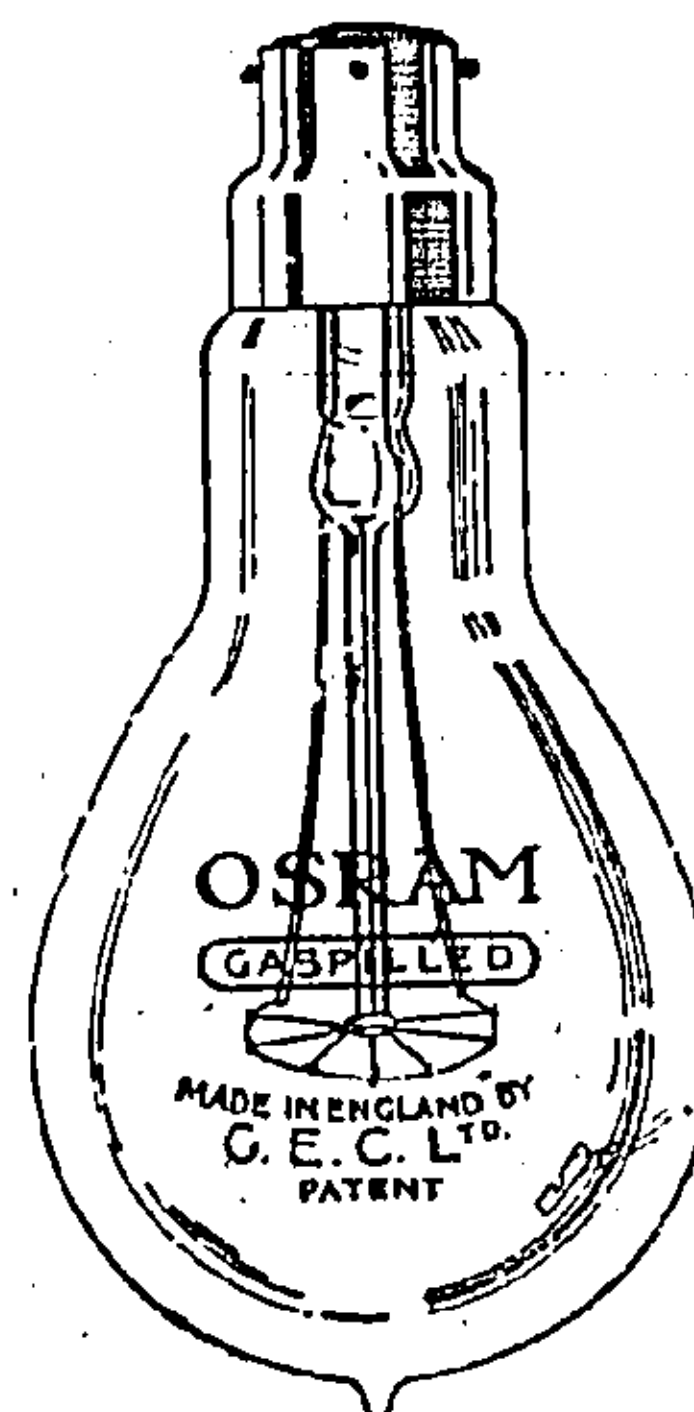
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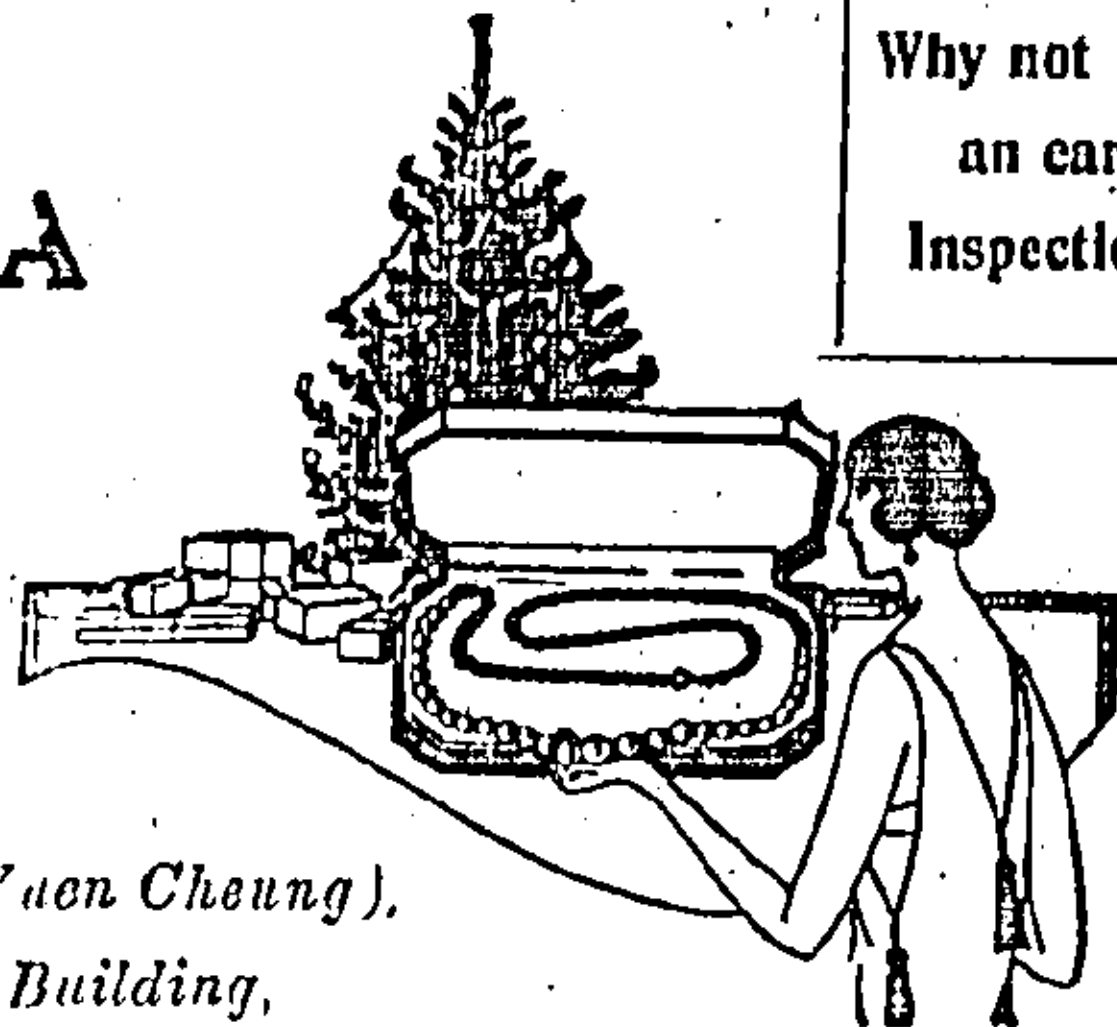


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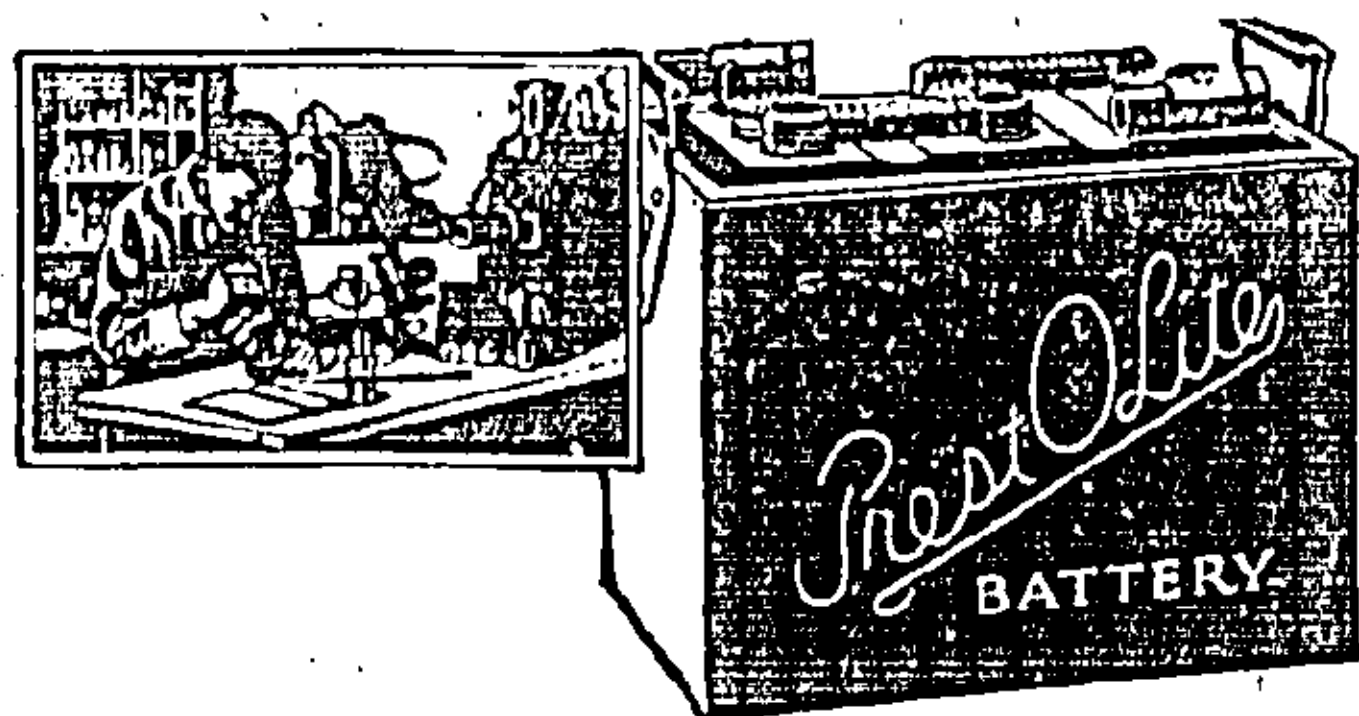
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WUCHOW FIRE.

MORE RELIEF REQUIRED.

The plight of the thousands of
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less by the destructive fire in Wu-
chow on the 30th of last month, re-
ceived the attention of the Direc-
tors of the Tung Wah Hospital and
other philanthropic Chinese, when
the latter held a meeting yester-
day afternoon to discuss relief
measures.

Mr. Ma Chi-lung, Chairman
of the Tung Wah Hospital,
presided. He said the meeting was
held in consequence of letters from
Wuchow, to the Hon. Mr. Chioh
Shou-son and Hon. Mr. R. H.
Kotewall, which requested the
Hospital to take steps for the
relief of the fire victims. The fire
was unparalleled in the history of
Wuchow in point of devastation,
about three thousand buildings
being razed to the ground and five
to six thousand people rendered
homeless. The number of de-
stitute only represented a section
of the victims, who after the fire
found themselves absolutely bereft
of means of subsistence.

The letters to the Hospital were
then read, these confirming the
Chairman's remarks as regards the
situation.

Mr. Lam Kwok-man, a repre-
sentative from the Wuchow Cham-
ber of Commerce and other
organizations that have interested
themselves in the relief problem,
was asked to address the meeting.
Mr. Lam said the first step in pro-
viding relief had been taken by
various public institutions at Wu-
chow and also a special Committee
had been formed to further the
work. Owing to the extensiveness
of the damage a considerable sum
of money was necessary to carry
out the project which the Com-
mittee had in mind, and for this
reason he had been sent to secure
the help of Hongkong. The pro-
ject was of a dual character,
namely, concurrently with the dis-
tribution of congee and food-stuffs
which was now going on, the Com-
mittee proposed to erect small wood-
en shacks for the accommodation
of the homeless to save them from
exposure and the rigours of the
weather. A certain number of

huts had already been put up in
the business parts of the city and
the authorities had issued an order
for their removal, as such as was
convenient, to less busy
places. The accommodation plans
necessitated a substantial outlay,
it being suggested that \$50 to \$60
be given to each destitute.

Hongkong's Scpticism.
Mr. Li Po kwai, Chairman of
the Chinese General Chamber of
Commerce: Is this Committee at
Wuchow formed by Government
officials?

Mr. Lam Kwok-man replied that
it was, but the executive
consisted of representatives from
every section of the community.
If financial help was forthcoming
the Wuchow merchants intended
to work independently, but money
was needed urgently.

Mr. Li Po kwai said the relief
work deserved unstinted support,
but at the same time they must
safeguard their money so that
what was spent would have proper
results. He proposed that the
Hospital should do something in
the matter.

At the request of the Hon. Mr.
R. H. Kotewall, the Chairman
told the meeting that over \$500,000
was subscribed for flood relief.
The relief work absorbed about
\$11,000, while a sum of \$300,000
had to be reserved for the
construction of flood banks, leaving
a balance of about \$100,000.

The Hon. Mr. Kotewall said the
recent chain of disasters in the
interior, followed by the usual ap-
peals for relief, showed the truth of
the old adage: "It never rains but
it pours." The generosity of the
public had well been taxed and he
thought it would be difficult to raise
subscriptions at present. He pro-
posed that \$10,000 from the sur-
plus of the Flood Relief Fund be
used to help the Wuchow people.
With this amount the Committee
could continue "urgent relief,"
and if any surplus was left it could
be used for the construction of
wooden huts.

The motion was seconded by
Mr. Ho Kwong and carried
unanimously.

She Tang of supplies.
Mr. Li Yau-chuen said ministrations
in relief work of this nature
included the distribution of warm
clothing and other winter neces-
sities. Owing to the unusually brisk

FLOOD ECHO.

HONGKONG'S GENEROSITY.

At a meeting at the Tung Wah
Hospital yesterday afternoon it
was announced that a careful es-
timate had been made of the prob-
able cost of reconstructing flood
banks in villages in Kwongtung
which were damaged in the
visitation some months ago. The
Hospital, it was said, would allot
a little more than \$840,000 from
the Flood Relief Fund to help the
villages affected.

The estimate, calculated on figures
supplied by the trade unions
in their reports of damages, runs
into seven figures. The reports
have all been checked and exam-
ined by Mr. Li Yau-chuen, a pro-
minent gentleman familiar with
building cost, and it is he who has
decided the extent of help to be
given to various applications. The
calculations are made on a propor-
tion basis in relation to the cost of
the reconstruction. In many cases
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cent of the cost.

demand for cotton stuffed cloths
and quilts, dealers of these articles
had found it hard to meet further
orders as substantial as would be
expected in the recent instance.
Only the other day he had shipped
about 2,000 cotton articles to
Canton for charitable purposes.
Orders appeared to have come in
from many places in the neigh-
bouring provinces besides Canton,
making it almost impossible to
obtain large supplies. Under
the circumstances he thought it
would be a good expedient
to get in touch with local knitting
factories and bargain for cheap
jerseys or goods improperly
finished, which would perhaps be
more economical and better ap-
preciated by the destitutes.

Another speaker suggested that
an effort be made to secure old
woollen articles—rugs, blankets,
etc.—such as were sometimes
offered at auctions.

On the question of rice, Mr. Li
Yau-chuen said Hongkong need
not ship supplies to Wuchow,
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able.

The meeting then terminated.

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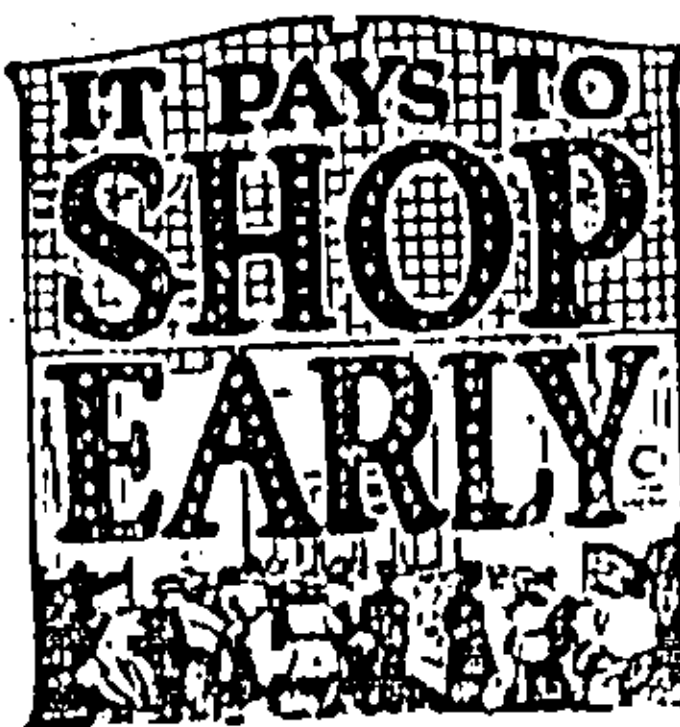
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Strict orders have been given the police to watch for any suspicious characters trying to pass the counterfeit banknotes. It is said that these forged notes are in \$1, \$5 and \$10 denominations. Suspicion is cast on certain nationals who have been reported to have offered these forged notes for sale at thirty dollars per hundred.

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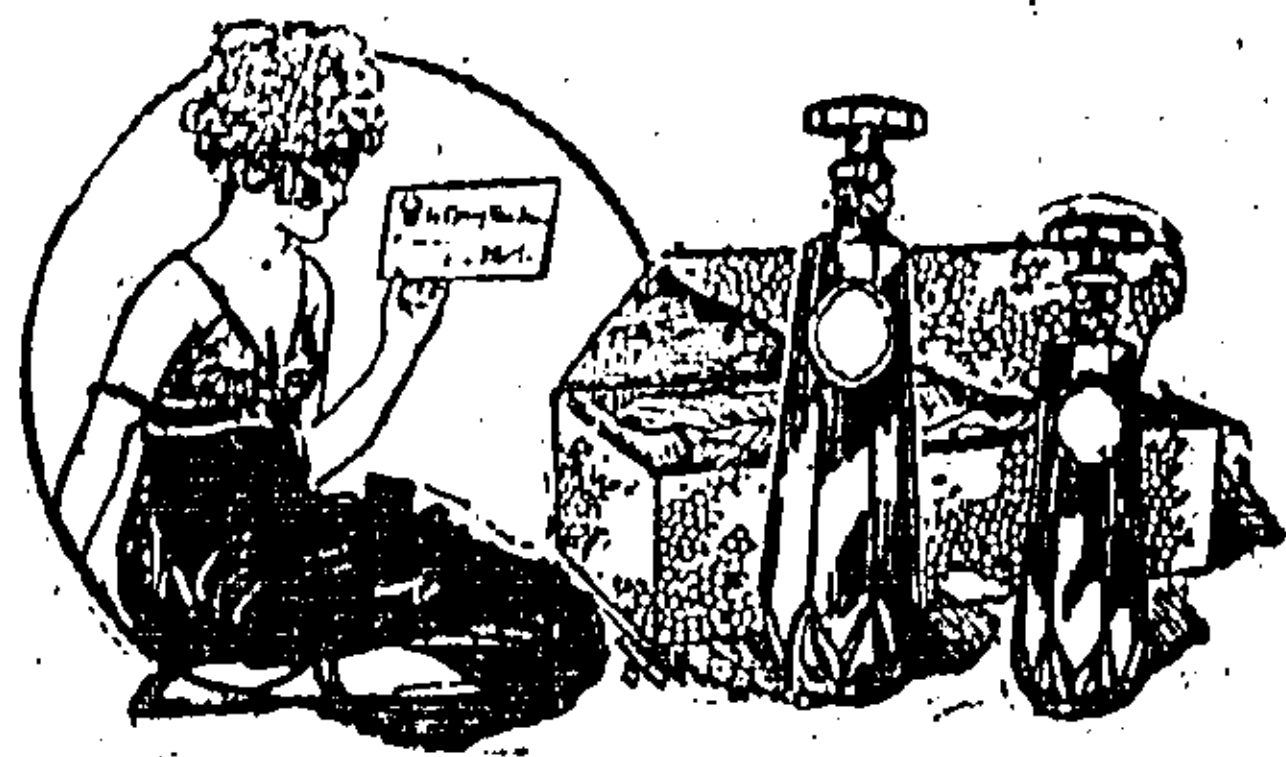


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LOCAL WEDDINGS.

CAMIDGE-HOWE.

A wedding of considerable interest was celebrated yesterday afternoon at St. John's Cathedral, the contracting parties being Mr. Reginald A. Camidge, of the Hongkong branch of the Chartered Bank, and Miss Audrey Josephine Howe, daughter of the late Major Howe and Mrs. Howe of Vancouver, B. C.

The Revd H. Copley Moyle officiated; the bride was given away by Mr. A. H. Ferguson and the duties of best man were carried out by Mr. J. Mel. Walker of Canton, little Miss Dorothy Ferguson appearing to great advantage as bridesmaid, in a dress of blue voile.

The bride, carrying a bouquet of white chrysanthemums, was attired in a dress of white, charmingly trimmed with seed pearls, with a train lined with pink chiffon.

A reception was held after the ceremony at Charter House, Peak Road, the happy couple leaving later for Fanning, where the honeymoon is to be spent, Mrs. Camidge's travelling costume being of grey tricot with hat of the same colour.

The Matron of Honour, Mrs. A. H. Ferguson, wore an orchid coloured dress of brocade chiffon.

Orme-Thompson.
An extremely quiet and all but secret wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday morning, when Mr. G. N. Orme, Director of Education, was married to Miss H. M. Thompson, late Assistant Mistress of the Kowloon British School.

Less than a dozen friends were present, and the ceremony was performed without music or elaboration of any kind, even to the dress of the principals, which in the

MISREPRESENTATIONS.

SINGAPORE FREIGHT CASE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 10.

The hearing has been resumed of the case of Chop Ban Keng who is suing Latham and Company and Chop Slang Hunt for the recovery of \$75,000, alleged to be due owing to damage sustained through misrepresentations on the part of the defendant over the chartering of the steamer Chat Yak. Mr. Ellis Cohen, a partner of Cohen and Company of Rangoon, in his evidence said that the steamer carried only 950 cargo tons whereas the defendants represented that it carried 1,200.

An expert witness is giving evidence on speed, and coal consumption. The case is proceeding.

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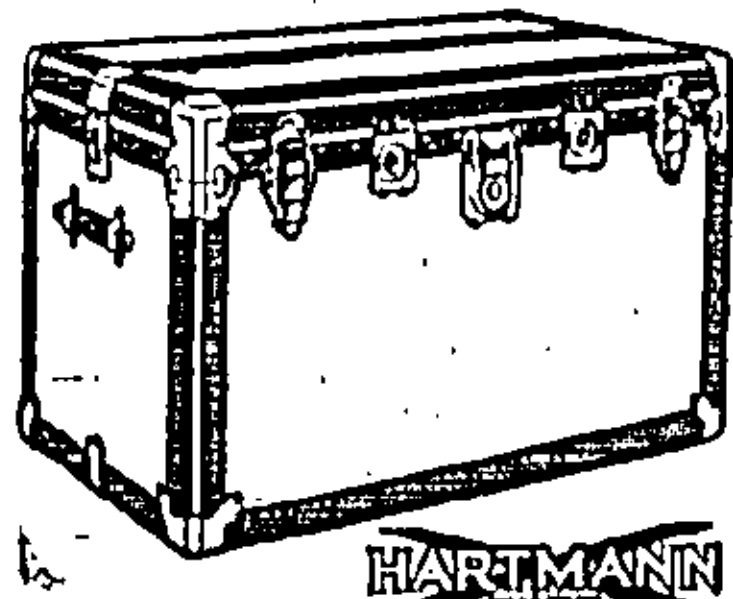
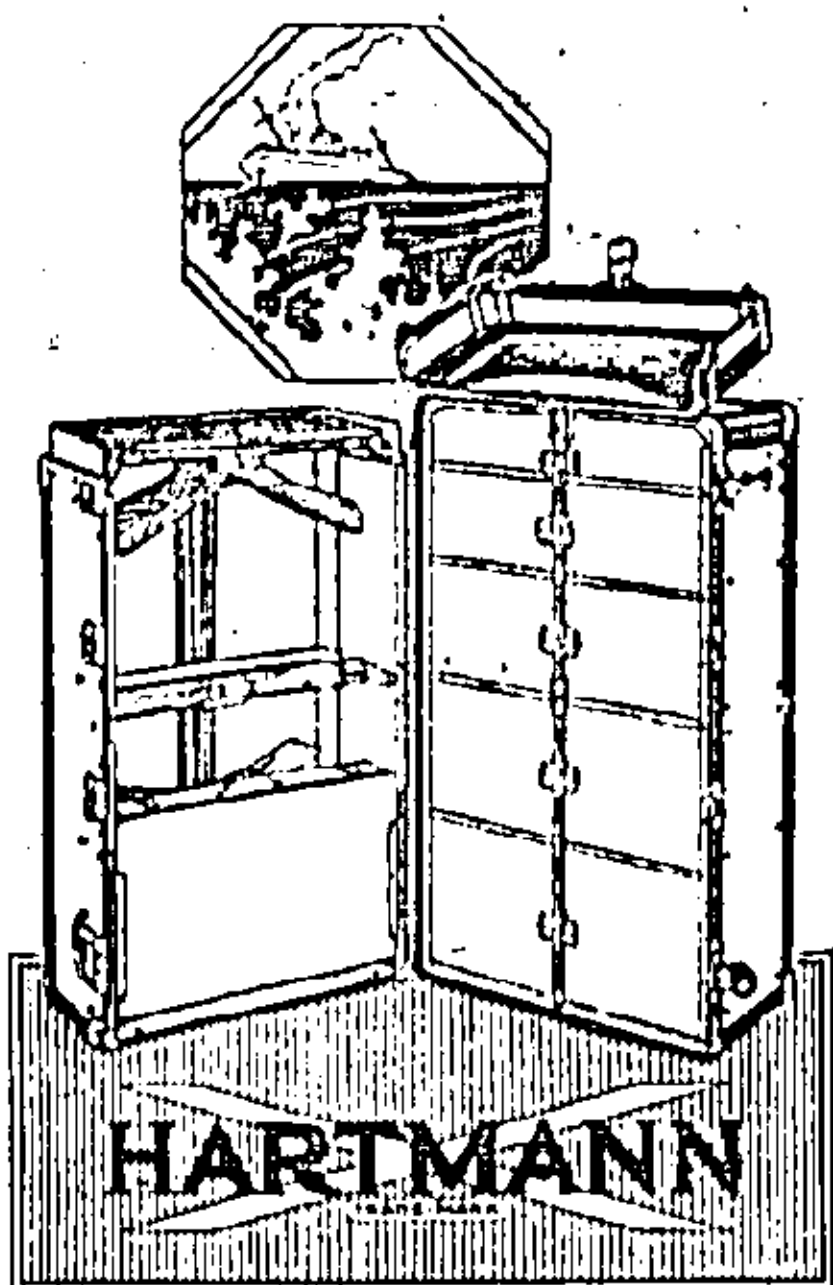
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The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 11th Dec., 1924.

**ELECTORAL
ANOMALIES.**

Striking examples of the anomalies of Britain's electoral system are contained in detailed figures of the last General Election which have come to hand by mail. These, whilst in no wise disposing of the fact that the country gave an unmistakable verdict against anything savouring of Communism or Socialism, certainly make it clear that existing methods of choosing Members of Parliament leave much to be desired, in the matter of procuring a true and proportionate reflection of popular opinion.

One most interesting fact disclosed is that Labour polled the highest vote in history, adding something like a million and a half to the figure of the previous General Election. The Liberals lost an almost equal number of votes. These figures have an added significance when compared with the Parliamentary results. The Conservatives gained some two million votes, which gave them no fewer than 160 more members; Labour, in spite of their voting gains, lost over sixty seats; whilst the Liberals, who lost a million and a half votes, had their Parliamentary strength reduced by about 120. Let us put it in another form. The combined Liberal and Labour vote came to eight and a half millions, and is represented in the House of Commons by only two hundred members; whilst the Conservative voters, numbering seven and a half millions, now have four hundred seats in Parliament. It is clear from these figures that a comparatively slight shift in the popular vote has caused a drastic change in the political complexion of the House.

As to the remedy for these anomalies, it is not easy to discover the best means. Proportional representation would, of course, meet the case, but this system is so complex and puzzling that we doubt whether it would be properly understood and operated by the average voter. There is, however, one gratifying report in which the new Parliament is a true reflection

of public feeling, and that is to be found in the circumstance that the anti-Socialists are in a big majority. If we take the combined Labour and Communist vote, we find that it totalled less than six millions, whereas Conservative and Liberal votes number more than eleven millions. That is a fact which clearly shows how the public felt on the outstanding issue before the electors, and it can be regarded as a distinctly healthy sign in these days of political unrest.

Britain and the Soviet.

Despite the turning down of the Anglo-Soviet treaties, Britain desires normal intercourse with Russia, as arranged after the signing of the trade agreement of two years ago. That item of policy was one of the more important outlined in the King's speech, and it aroused the Labour leader's sarcasm. But there is nothing peculiar about the Conservative Government desiring to trade with the Soviet, and keep on friendly terms, without going so far as to engage in a treaty which would involve exposure to "Red" propaganda.

We can be on good terms with the present Russian Government without taking them to our bosom. It is interesting to note from Home papers to hand that Mr. Baldwin's policy was foreshadowed more than a month ago. There was then a widespread understanding that the Conservative Government would wish to keep friendly with Russia somehow, without going the lengths contemplated by the Labour Ministry. The whole matter, indeed, resolves itself into one of pounds, shillings and pence, rather than one of sentimental overtures to the Bolsheviks. The Baldwin Cabinet is likely to be influenced by the great financial interests, which desire some form of treaty with Russia that can protect, or even foster, British trade. This same influence could be detected behind Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, but his extremist wing made him go too far. With the present Government it will be a question of mutual commercial concessions—and nothing more.

Domestic Reforms.

Among the subjects dealt with in the King's speech is that of housing, a burning topic at Home, and one of the directions in which the Labour Government failed to maintain their promises to the electorate concerned. Now we have a definite promise of vigorous reform. Connected with this is the unemployment problem, that ever-present thorn in the side of the administration. Sir Robert Horne, who was excluded from the present Cabinet, made a speech only recently, devoid of any trace of resentment, in which he warned the Government that it should attempt to solve these domestic problems immediately. Being out of the Ministry he could hit the nail on the head. He declared that the Labour unions themselves were largely responsible for unemployment. He pointed out that there were effective housing schemes under consideration which could absorb thousands of the unemployed; but in each of these schemes a certain amount of skilled labour was necessary, and there was a shortage of that for the simple reason that trade unions controlled this class of worker by not taking apprentices, under the delusion that by restricting the number of trained men they could obtain constant work for them. This will be one feature of the coming tussle between the Conservatives and Labour. In concluding these comments, it is interesting to note that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald himself was aware of the menace of too highly organised trade unions, and never was on the best of terms with the Labour leaders who put trade unionism above their party.

CABLES BROKEN.**STONECUTTERS ISOLATED.**

It is stated that the telegraph cable at North Point has been fouled by a buoy, having been placed in the prohibited area in such a manner that the flukes of the anchor connected to the buoy by a heavy anchor have got underneath the cable. The cable between Stonecutters Island and Hongkong is reported to have been broken, with the result that communication is entirely interrupted. It is stated that a Chinese-owned steamer is responsible for this damage.

DAY BY DAY.

BE CALM IN ARGUING; FOR FIERCENESS MAKES ERROR A FAULT, AND TRUTH DISCOURTESY.—Herbert.

Yesterday's health return shows two cases of typhoid fever (one Indian and one Chinese.)

Mrs. H. Loommore Clift will conduct the Bible Circle at the Helena May Institute on Friday, Dec. 12th, at 10.30 a.m. The meeting is open to all women.—*Adv.*

A charge of unlawful possession of 12.5 taels of prepared opium was brought against a married woman of 106, Woo Sung Street, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Defendant applied for a remand in order to secure a solicitor to defend her. Bail was granted in the sum of \$2,500.

Two Chinese, charged with possession of a filed dagger, were formally remanded by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. It was intimated that the defendants, who were arrested in Fife Street, Mongkok, would be committed to the Sessions if a case were made out against them.

There is, in the character of the "Queen of Sheba," all that appeals to the heart of a Director or producer, and in the incidents that go to make the story, which is to be seen at the Coronet Theatre, nothing is lacking to make a film of more than passing interest. There are armies of warring contestants, chariot races, gorgeous robes, and also a love romance of the most beautiful woman the world has ever known.

POSED AS DETECTIVES.**ROBBERS MAKE GOOD HAUL.**

Posing as detectives engaged on a mission of finding arms, four men entered a matchbox at Canton Road, Kowloon, last night, which was then occupied by only one inmate—a credulous woman. The visitors carried torches, which facilitated their search, which was not for arms but for whatever articles of value they could lay their hands upon. The men told the woman they would take her to the Police Station and she was actually led out for some distance, before she was released. On her return she discovered that those of her callers who had remained behind had decamped with money and property to the value of \$1,015.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor, "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Our Rickshas.

Sir,—Your very interesting article on the Hongkong rickshas and their pullers ought to make us stop and think.

I wonder if it would be possible to weed out from these poor fellows those who are in the grip of chronic opium poisoning? They are physically unfit for their work and they become professionally worse.

At the same time, could not the worst of the wretched bone-shaking rattletaps be scrapped and this process continue, their place to be taken by up-to-date pneumatic-tired vehicles? Would any other place of anything like the size and importance of our Colony tolerate these appallingly primitive abominations? I am told that rubber wastes rapidly here. So it does in the damp heat of French Indo-China, but no-one at all respectable in Haiphong or Hanoi would be even seen dead in the things that unblushingly parade our main thoroughfares. No wonder that Hongkong was ashamed to send representations of these to Wembley.—What our visitors and tourists must say of our backward development I blush to think about.

Surely fifty cents hire a day for these contrivances is an iniquitous sample of profiteering?

Yours etc.,

ADVANCE HONGKONG.

[We think our correspondent's strictures on Hongkong's rickshas are unwarranted. They are anything but rattletraps and are all fitted with rubber tyres. Moreover, his jibe about our being ashamed to send rickshas to Wembley is not based on fact; their absence from the Exhibition was due to altogether different causes.—Ed. H.K.T.]

FOOTBALL NOTES.**SATURDAY'S PROSPECTS.**

[BY "WANDERER."]

The second and final Army trial at Sookunpoo last evening resulted in a decisive win for the Surveys by four goals to nothing, the scorers being Butler in the first half, and Humberstone (3) in the second.

I cannot see the selectors losing any sleep over their task unless they choose to take risks with the side in order to make it appear representative. Man for man there has been no player in either of the Rest sides that can be declared a better player than the man occupying the same position in the Surveys eleven and if the best team is to be picked there is only one course left open and that is to field the whole Surveys side. Of the Rest team playing yesterday, Duncan the Kowloon player did quite well, Squires of the Surveys Reserves made a good right back, and Johnston was tricky at inside left.

The fixtures for Saturday follow:—

Div. I. Kick-off 4 p.m.
Club v Kowloon.—Club.
Surveys v Police.—Kowloon.
China "A" v Tamar.—Chinese.
Div. II. Kick-off 2.30.
China "A" v Club.—Club.
C. Roeroio "A" v China "B".—Kowloon.
St. Jos. "A" v Sacred Heart.—St. Joseph's.
C. Roeroio "B" v St. Jos. "B".—Navy "A".
Drums v Kowloon.—Sookunpoo.
Surveys v University.—Chinese.

A battle-royal is expected on the Club ground where the Club meet their old rivals, Kowloon. At Kowloon earlier in the season, the Club gained a lucky victory and the Kowloonites are all out to avenge that defeat. As McKelvie turns out, their prospects are fairly good.

The Police will have to effect a remarkable improvement in their play if they are to hold the Surveys, who are in their best scoring mood these days as witness their four goals against an exceptional strong Tamar team last week.

China "A" should beat the Tamar, though we have seen surprises from this quarter many times before.

The first-named club in the Second Division fixture list above should win in each case, though possibly China "A" will find the Club Reserves a tough opposition.

The league tables to date are as follows:—

DIVISION I.					Goals.	Pts.
	P.W.D.L.	F.	A.			
China "A" ...	7	6	10	2	13	13
Surreys	7	6	0	12	5	12
Club ...	8	4	0	18	9	8
R. A. ...	7	4	0	3	12	6
Tamar ...	8	3	1	4	7	10
Kowloon	6	3	0	3	18	10
Police ...	9	2	2	5	7	16
China, "B" ...	8	0	0	8	3	9
DIVISION II.						
Surreys	9	8	1	0	27	3
St. Jos. "A" ...	10	7	0	3	22	9
Rocroiro, "A" ...	8	6	1	1	35	3
China "A" ...	9	3	3	3	16	13
Drums ...	9	4	1	4	18	15
Kowloon	9	4	0	5	14	21
Club Res. ...	8	3	1	4	5	13
University	7	2	2	3	8	12
Rocroiro "B" ...	10	2	2	6	10	25
St. Jos. "B" ...	8	1	4	3	5	15
China "B" ...	10	2	2	6	5	27
Sacred H. ...	9	2	1	6	14	23

The following have been selected to play for the Kowloon F.C. in their league engagements on Saturday:—

Against Hongkong Club.—J. Beach; F. Wheeler, T. L. Knight; A. W. Turner, J. McKelvie (Capt), A. Duncan; F. Cleme, J. McBride, B. Fasco, B. J. Vickers and S. G. Hayes.

Against Drums.—C. E. Stewart; W. Parratt, B. Rasmussen; A. W. Brown (Capt), C. Cavellie, S. Randle; C. Morris, A. Latham, W. H. Brown, N. Trambitzky and A. Fitzgerald.

Reserves:—F. Ross, A. Kirby and H. S. Prowse.

The following will represent the Hongkong Club Reserves in their 2nd Division League fixture with South China "A" on the Club ground.—H. Oswald; D. Lyon (Capt), H. Buxton; R. Bell, E. Ralston, R. C. Robertson; B. Bell, S. O. Hill, A. Ferguson, J. Douglas, J. Dixon. Reserves:—T. Roberts and P. Angus.

THE NEW COMMODORE**ARRIVAL TO-DAY.**

Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, who succeeds Commodore Grace, arrives this afternoon aboard the P. and O. s.s. Macedonia, accompanied by Mrs. Stirling and Miss Stirling.

The broad pennant of Commodore Stirling will be hoisted on H.M.S. Despatch at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning, and the Despatch will then salute the broad pennant of Commodore Grace, which will be struck on the Tamar at sunset to-morrow. The broad pennant of Commodore Stirling will be transferred to the Tamar at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning, when it will be saluted by the Despatch, instead of, as originally intended, by the Diomedea, which is refitting.

Commodore Anselan John Buchanan Stirling, R.N., O.B., was born on the 27th. of June, 1875, being the son of Col. J. S. Stirling, of Gargunnock, Stirlingshire. He was educated at the Royal Naval School, Newcross, and in 1889 he joined H.M.S. Britannia, going to sea in 1891. He was in H.M.S. Barfleur in China during the Boxer Rising in 1900, being severely wounded in an attack on Chinese field guns, having to be invalided home. From 1910 to 1913 he served at the Admiralty, and during the European War served with the Grand Fleet Flotillas. He was present at the Battle of Jutland, being in Command of the Destroyer Flotilla. In 1916 he was made a Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, and also possesses the Russian Order of St. Anne, 2nd Class with swords, whilst he is an Officer de Legion d'Honneur.

In 1905 he married Miss Margaret Grierson, daughter of Sir Philip Hamilton Grierson, who for many years was Solicitor for Scotland to the Board of Inland Revenue. There are one son and two daughters. For some time past Commodore Stirling has been living at Southsea. His principal recreation is golf.

LOCAL SHIPPING ITEMS.**BAD WEATHER STILL.**

Further reports of bad weather have been made by several ships to arrive in port yesterday and this morning. The China Navigation Company's vessel, Kwangtung, reports that between Bangkok and Swatow she experienced strong monsoon with very heavy seas, whilst the El Lobo, which has brought a large quantity of liquid oil from San Pedro, reports very rough weather and strong north-easterly monsoon. The Osaka Maru also reports rough seas and strong monsoon, several other ships making similar entries in their entry papers.

The coaster Claro Jepsen (Capt. Christiansen) arrived from Swatow this morning and reported moderate N.E. monsoon (Force 5), but with fairly clear weather. The sea, however, was still high. A new passenger boat is to be constructed for the Wuchow and Samshui service. When in service, she will leave Wuchow in time to catch the afternoon train from Samshui to Wuchow. The order for her construction is in the hands of a local firm.

BOAT PUTS BACK.

The Norwegian steamer Drafn left Swatow six days ago for Keelung, Formosa, in ballast, in order to load a full cargo of coals at that port. However, after leaving Swatow she experienced such a strong north-east monsoon, with rough seas, that the captain realised that he would run short of bunker coal and decided to return to port and rebunker. This he did, after being five days out at sea. It was not only a strong wind that the vessel had to contend with, but rough seas were encountered, the current in the Formosa Straits being said to run nearly four knots an hour in certain places. The vessel had her bunkers refilled again yesterday and started on her second attempt to reach Keelung.

SHOOTING AT SHADOWS.

A cinematograph has been installed at New York police headquarters for the purpose of training police to aim at moving figures of men and motor cars which has become a necessity in view of the long list of audacious outrages by bandits using motor cars. The hits can be recorded by immediately stopping the reel after each shot.

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CAMERA NEWS



KIPLING'S DAUGHTER WEDS.—Miss Elsie Kipling, only daughter of the famous author, and Captain George Bambridge, attaché at the British Embassy in Brussels, are shown leaving St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, after their marriage.



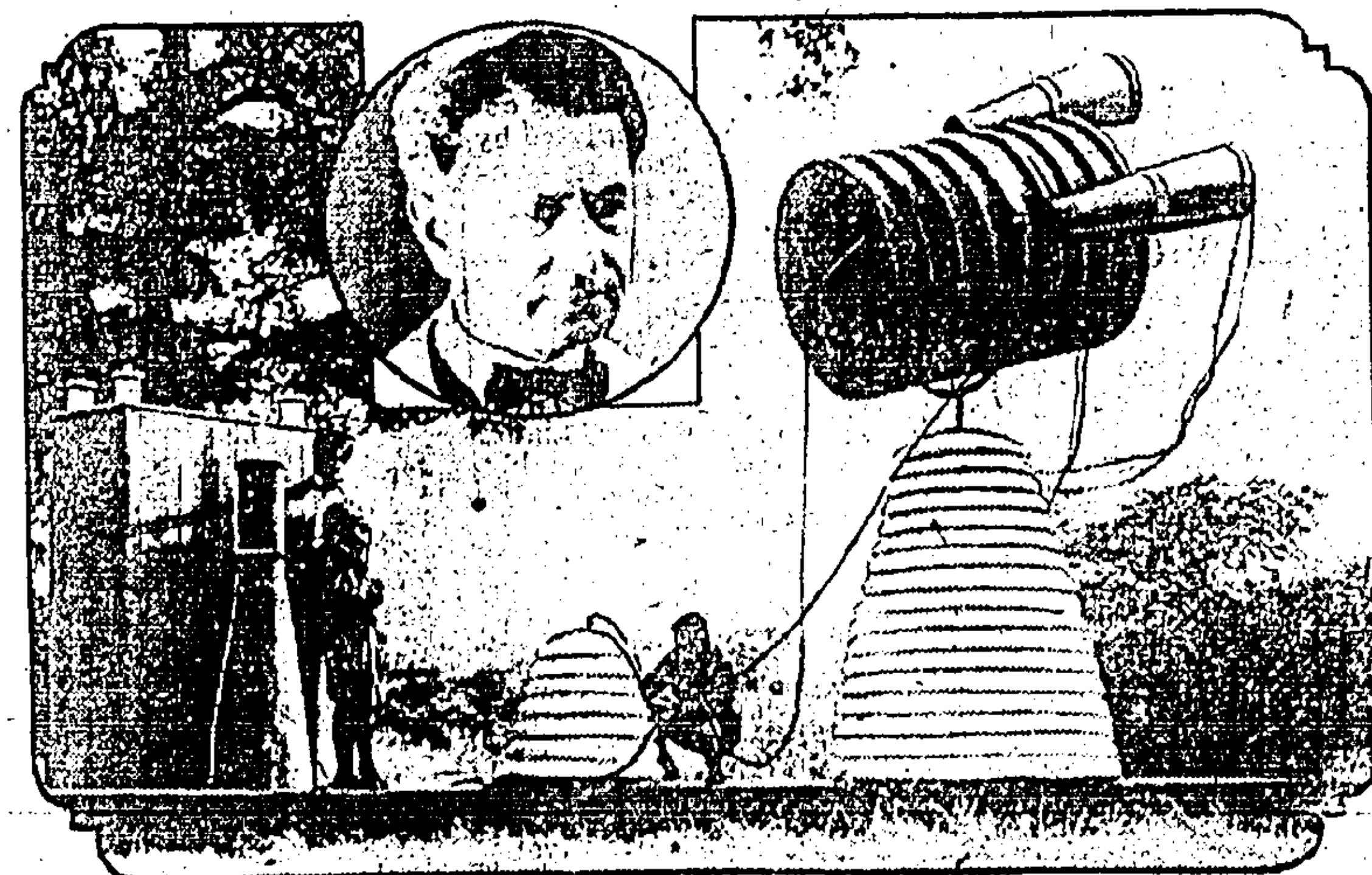
EX-PRESIDENT'S WIFE.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, first lady of a departed day, allowed herself to be photographed for the first time since her husband's death when the Girl Scouts made her their vice president and gave her a badge.



NEW IDEA.—The Living Billboard. He drives a car through Vienna: Whatever it is he's advertising on his pate, it's not half restorer.



DUKE AND BASEBALLERS.—The Duke of York attended one of the games between the Chicago White Sox and New York Giants in London and shook hands with the players.



THE "DEATH RAY."—The "death ray" apparatus shown here is being demonstrated at Flatholme, France, by its inventor, Harry Grindell-Matthews (in insert). With it he explodes powder, lights lamps and kills mice at a distance of 30 feet, as if by lightning. It can be developed, he says, to locate and destroy airplanes in flight.



EX-KAISER'S DAUGHTER.—The daughter of ex-Kaiser Wilhelm reflects back the enthusiastic greeting she received in Lüneburg on her birthday. She is driving through the streets with her husband, the Duke of Brunswick and Lüneburg.

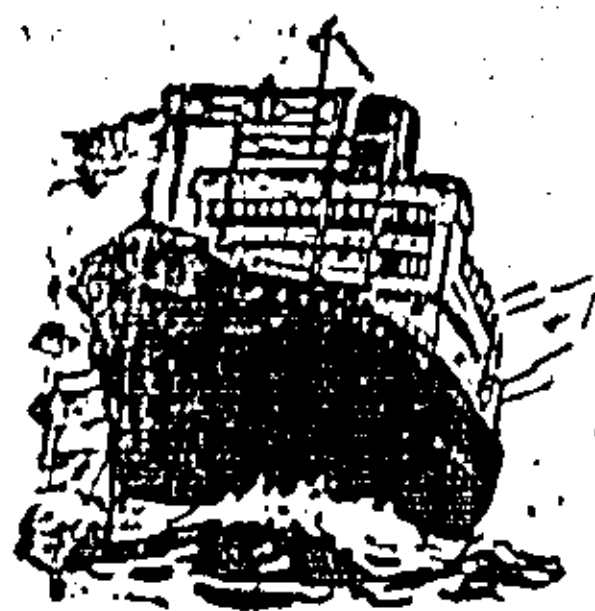


NOVEL INSURANCE.—Nicholas Sokolowsky of Detroit started out to insure bachelors and girls against marriage. But too many weddings wrecked his Perpetual Endowment Society. Police seized his books closed his offices and threatened prosecution. They could do nothing, though, for he had obtained a state charter and was operating within the law.



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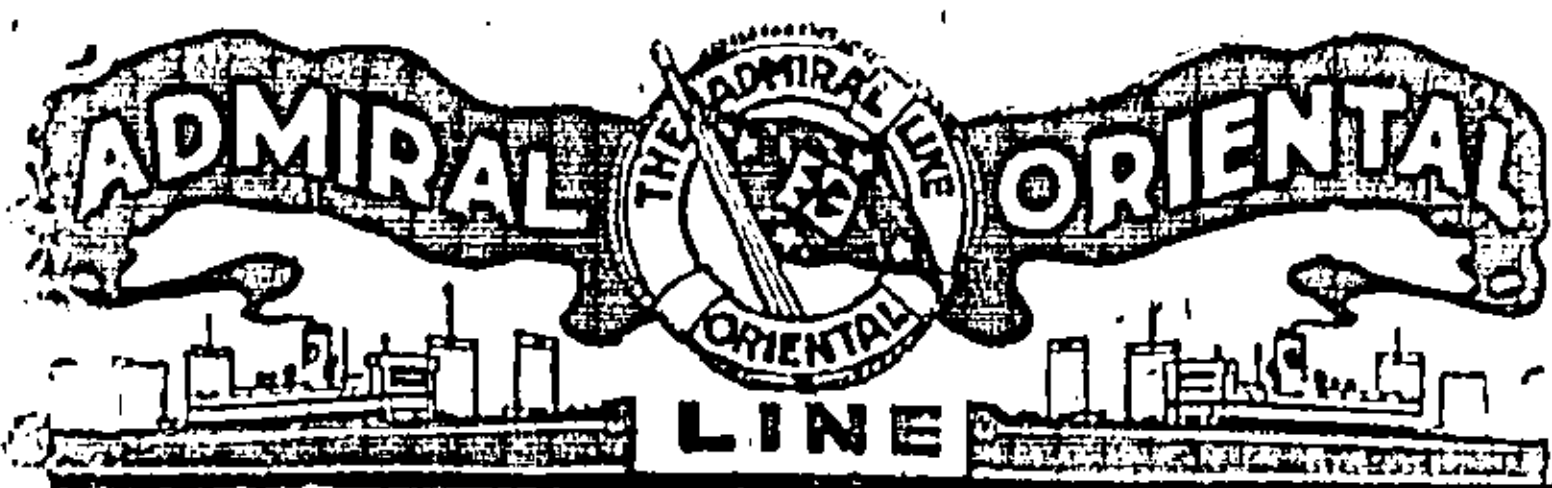
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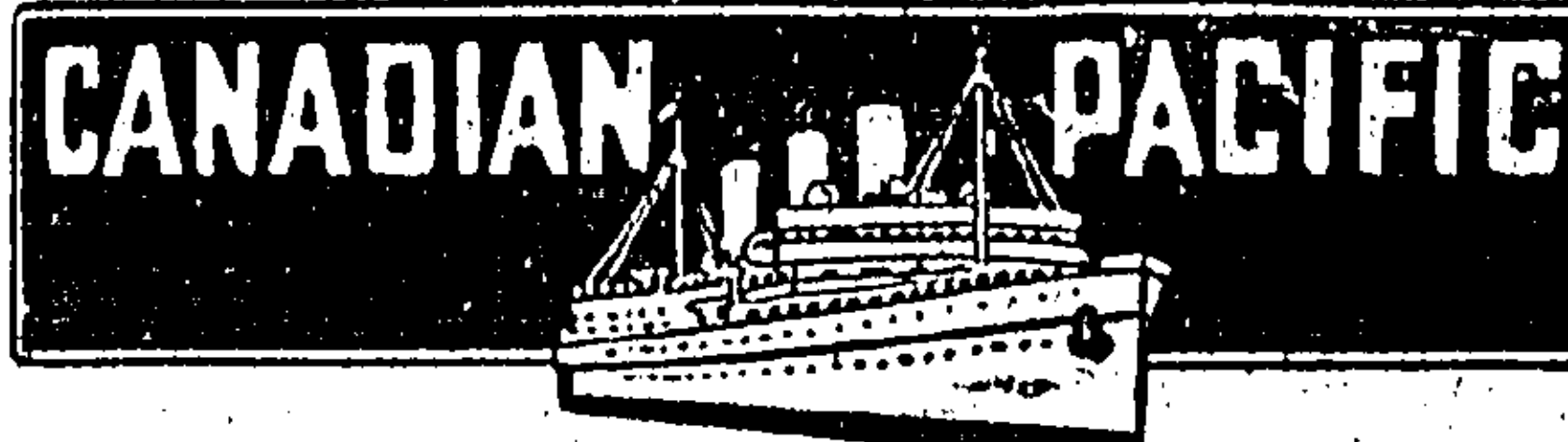
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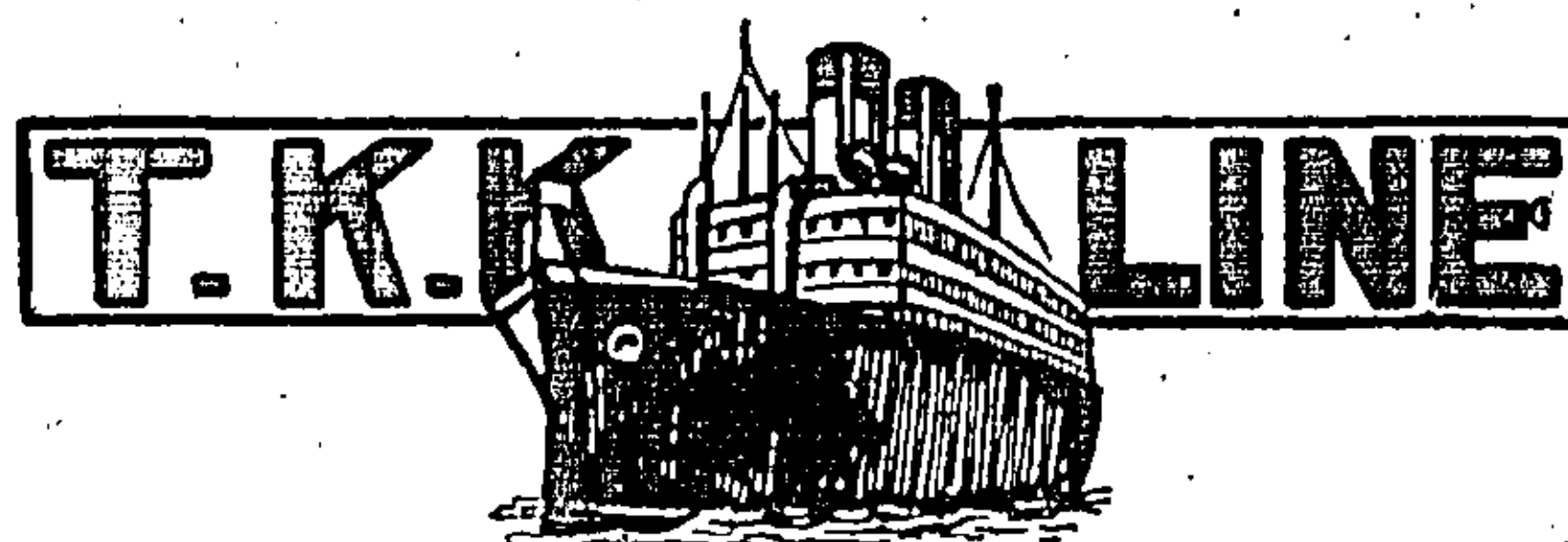
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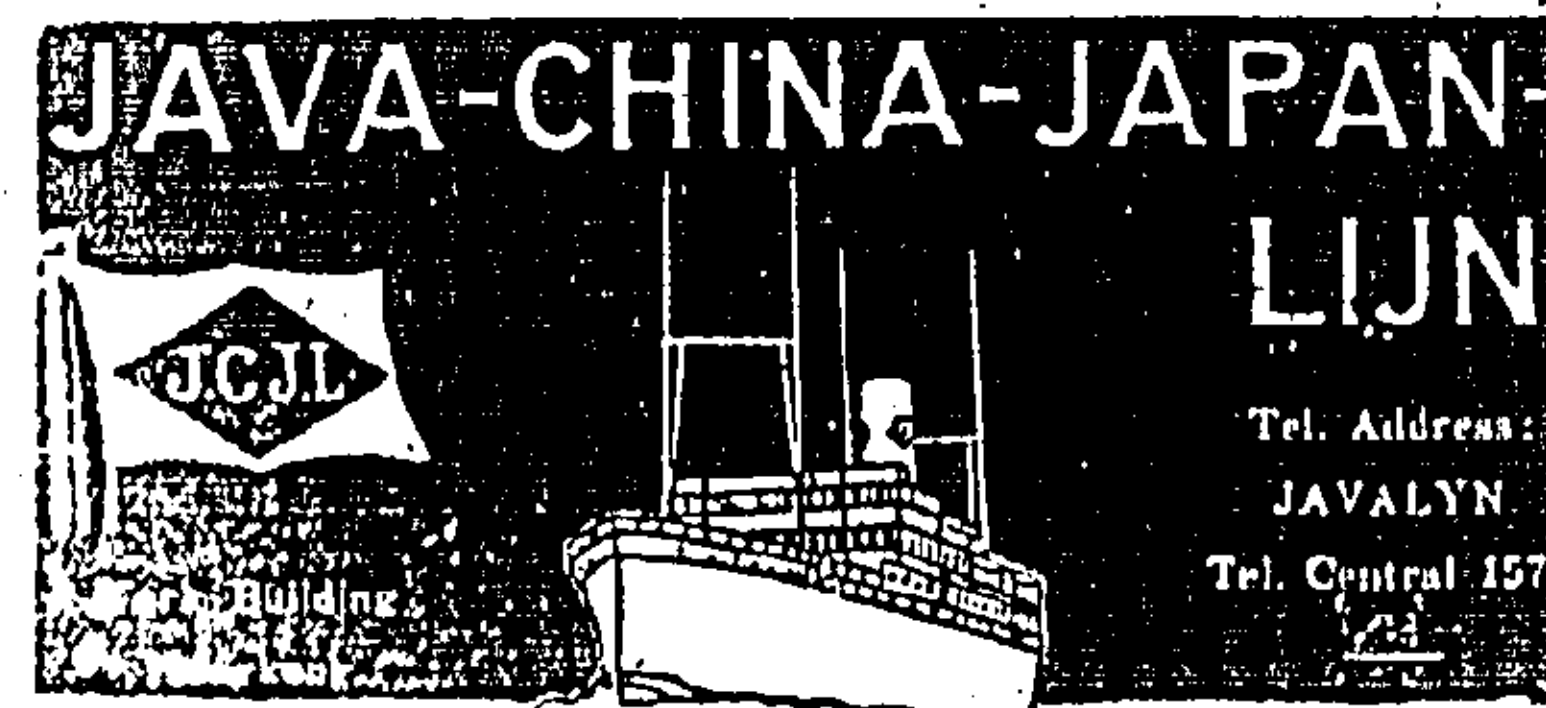
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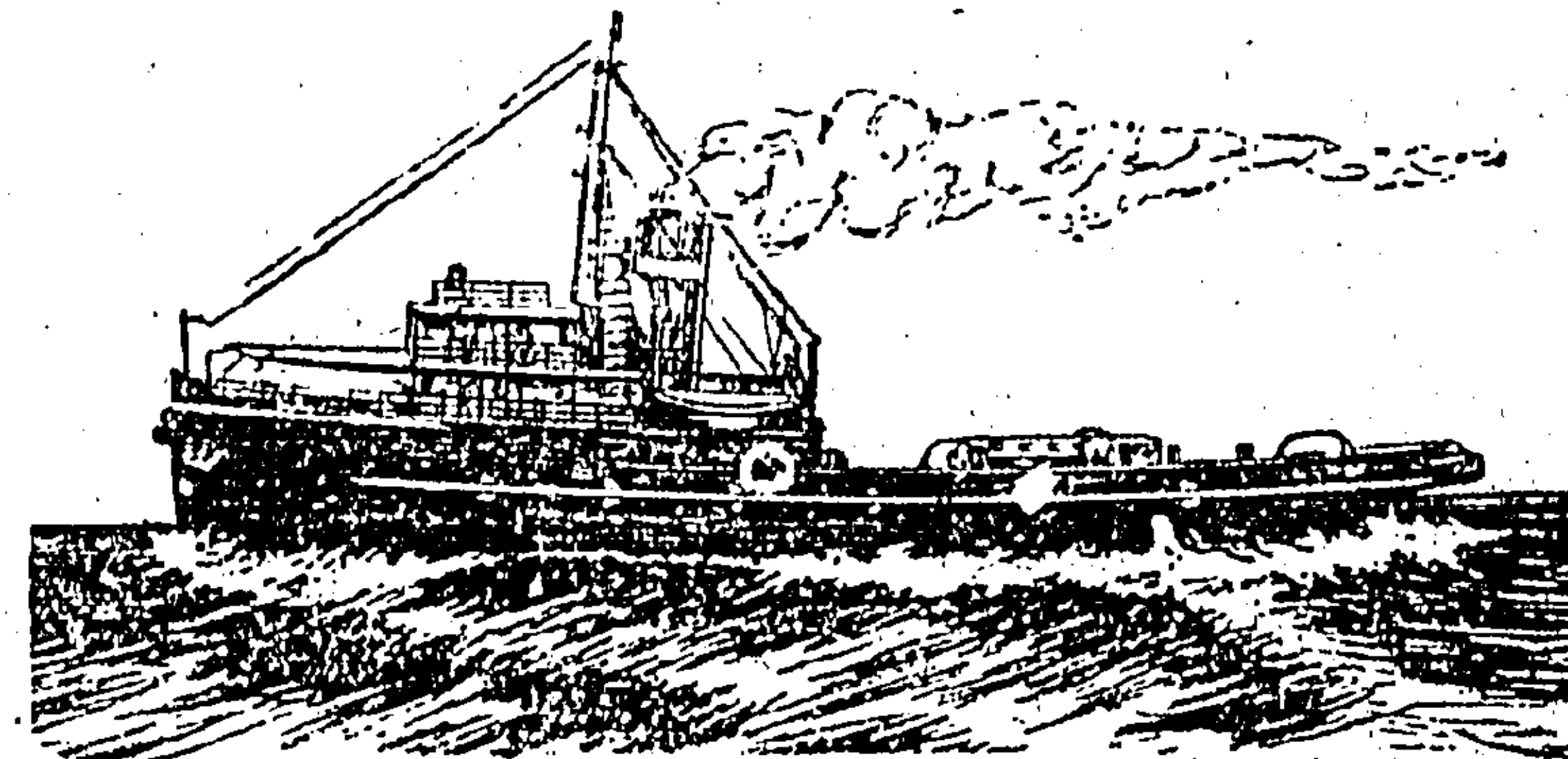
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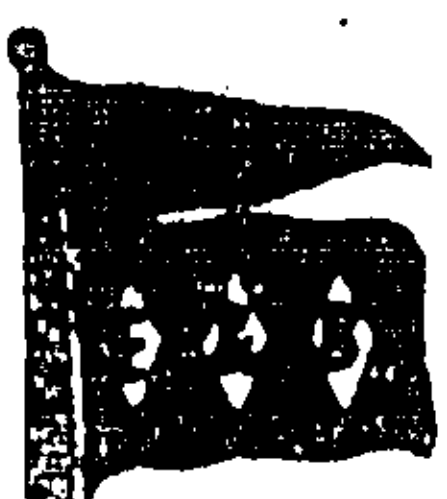
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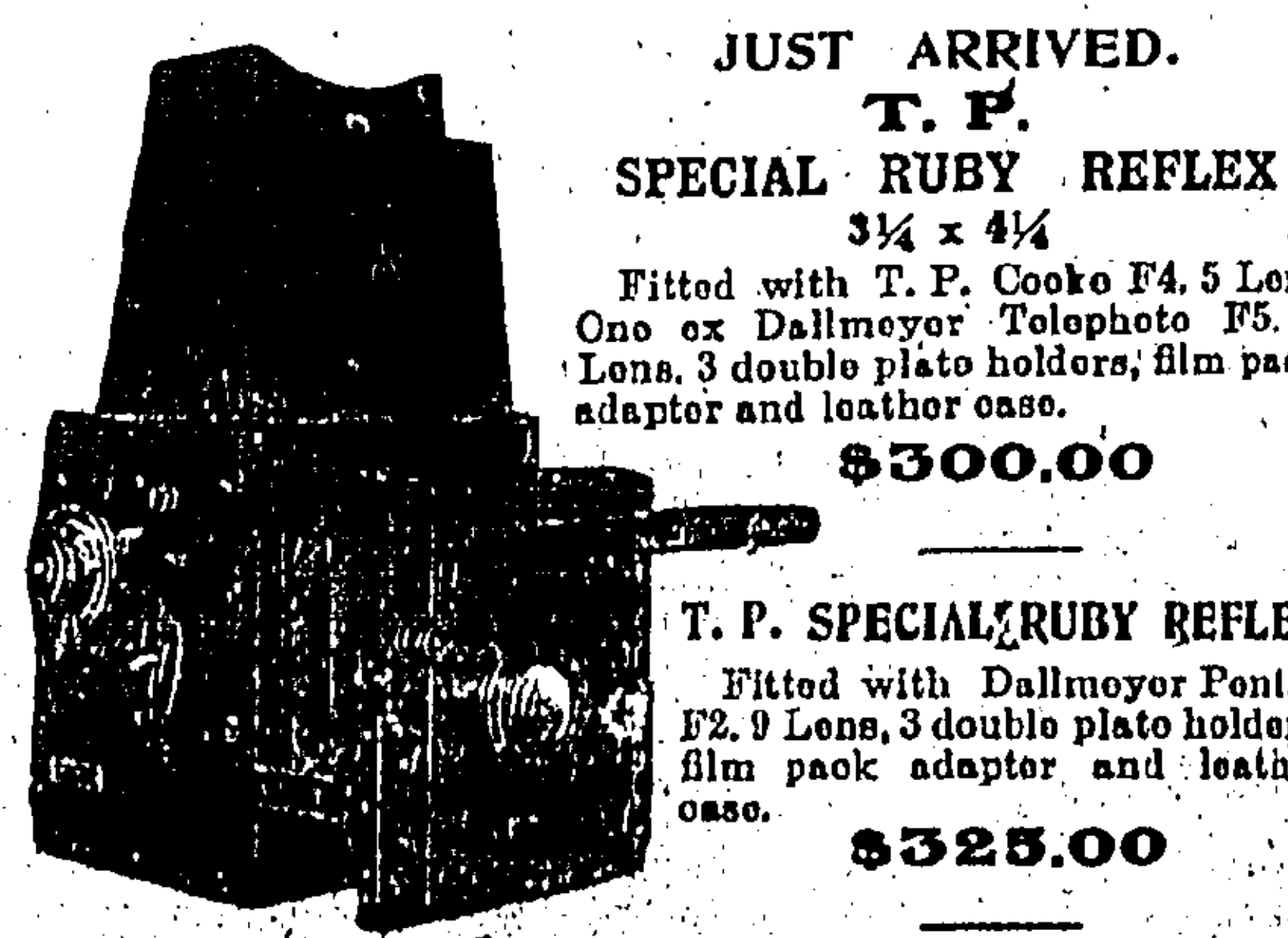
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Mr. H. C. Lee appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. H. J. Armstrong represented the defendant.

Mr. Lee said his instructions were that reparation had been made and he asked to be allowed to withdraw the summonses.

Mr. Armstrong replied that there was no question of making reparations. The prosecution accused defendant of unlawfully embezzling money, when he had a perfectly good defence. He was willing to have the charges withdrawn, but he asked that he be awarded costs.

His Worship said he could only award \$5 costs and this, if granted, would only be provocative to the plaintiffs.

Mr. Lee said that the position was that the defendant had paid the sum to a certain person and on that condition wished to withdraw.

Mr. Armstrong explained that the parties in the partnership of the firm had agreed to arbitration and had appointed two arbitrators and an umpire. The money had been paid to the umpire by the defendant.

His Worship, remarking that he understood there were three or four cases pending at the Supreme Court regarding the partnership dispute, said that the present trouble had arisen out of the former quarrel. There was not a stain on the defendant's character and he would be discharged.

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Shanghai	Kanchoo	12th	
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Shanghai	Tientsin	12th	
Shanghai	Linan	12th	
Shanghai	Selyang	13th	
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Manila	Empress of Asia	15th	
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Straits	Kitago M.	16th	
Japan	Fushimi M.	16th	
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Japan	Yoshino M.	11th Dec.	9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hsinling	11th	3 p.m.
Shanghai	Lokun	11th	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Pais	11th	4 p.m.
Shanghai	Tjikandi	11th	10 a.m.
Shanghai	Hinang	11th	10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Manila	12th	5 p.m.
Swatow	Takung	12th	5 p.m.
Holhow & Halphong	Meigang	12th	5 p.m.
Holhow & Bangkok	Chuan	12th	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Kajjo M.	12th	5 p.m.
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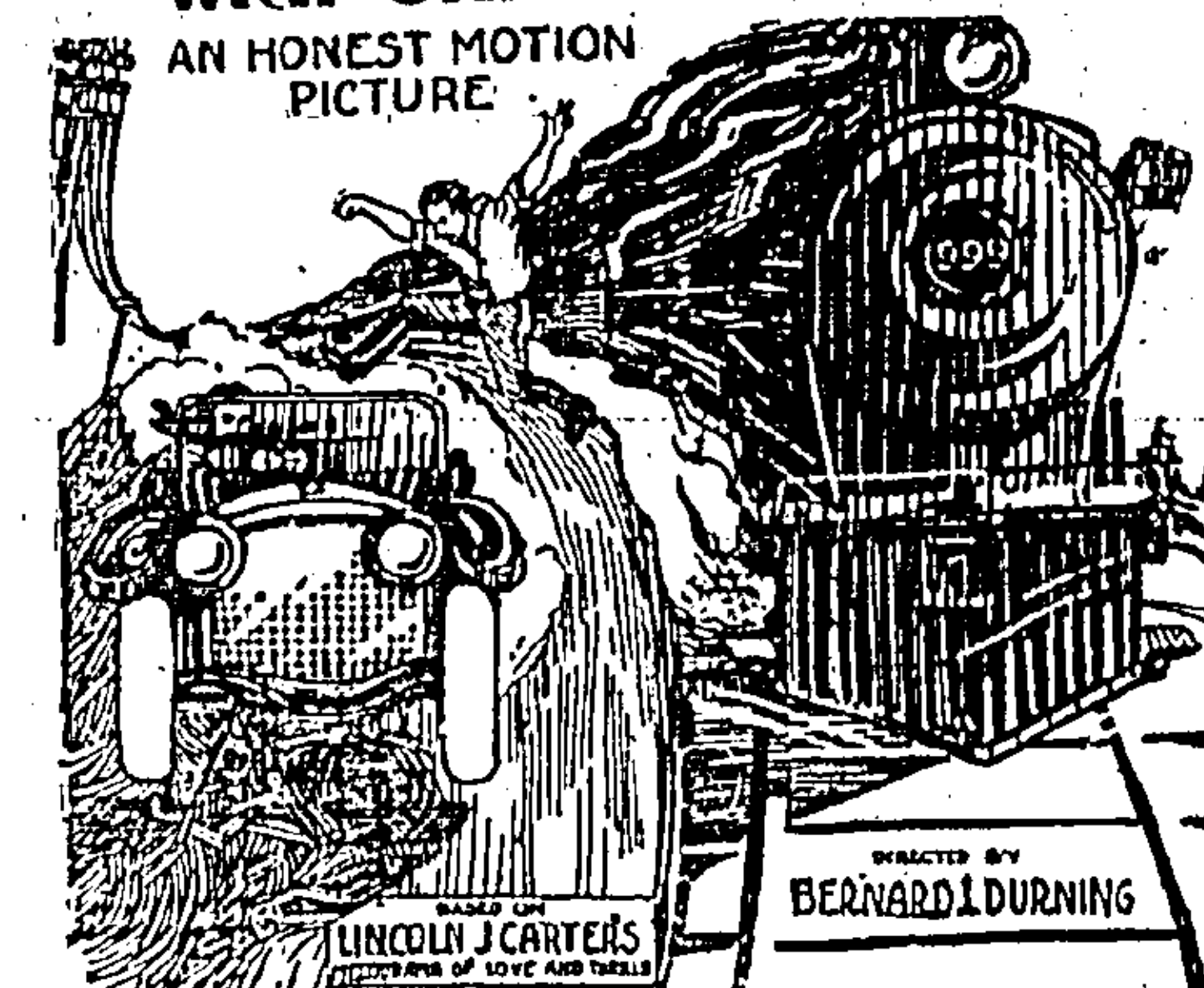
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Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day 0.00 inch. Total since January

1st, 99.49 inches, against an average of 82.42 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel N.E. winds, strong.

2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamooks

3 H'kong to Gap N.E. winds, strong.

4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
Hongkong, December 11.

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